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SELECT LIST OF

SEEDS

OF

HARDY ANNUALS

TO

HELP FILL THE

HARDY BORDER.

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NOTICE.

So many of my customers have insisted that I supply them with seeds of annuals as well as perennials, that I have made up a list of some of the most desirable hardy kinds, which should be very useful in filling in the perennial border. Although the list is not a large one, it should be ample for any who grow Hardy Perennials. Those who depend for the most part upon annuals would probably require a larger assortment. But perennials have lately come into such favor that only a small number of annuals are used by many, and these with the perennials as a filling.

Seeds pre-paid at packet and ounce rates. Add nine cents per half pound, if by mail.



Select List of Seeds of Annuals with a Few Biennials.

Abronia latifolia (*A. arenaria*). Sand Verbena.

A handsome trailing annual with clusters of trailing Verbena-like flowers which are fragrant towards evening. Useful in beds, rock-work or hanging baskets. Flowers yellow, 5 cts. per pkt.

Ageratum conyzoides, Var. *Blue Perfection* (Floss Flower). Deep amethyst blue, 10 cts. per pkt.

Alyssum maritimum, Var. *Compactum*, Sweet Alyssum. Trailing in habit. Flowers white, 5 cts. per pkt.

Amarantus Gangeticus (*A. tricolor splendens*). An improved form with more brilliant coloring, fine ornamental plant, 5 cts. per pkt.

A. caudatus (Love Lies Bleeding). Blood red, 5 cts. per pkt.

Arctotis grandis. A charming new annual from Southwest Africa. It forms a branching, bushy clump 2-3 feet high with handsome large white flowers, 10 cts. per pkt.

ASTERS.

These require rich soil for best results, though they will do on an ordinary garden soil.

Globe Flowered Perfection Asters, mixed colors, 10 cts. per pkt.

Japanese Asters in mixed colors, 10 cts per pkt.

Paeonia Perfection Asters. Improved of best grade, 15 cts. per pkt.

Reid's Improved Quilled Asters, or *Betteridge Prize*, 8 cts. per pkt.

Comet Asters. Large, very double flowers, 10 cts. per pkt.

Dwarf Paeonia Flowered Perfection Asters, 12 cts. per pkt.

Paeonia Flowered Globe Asters, 10 cts. per pkt.

Single Late Flowering Asters, 8 cts. per pkt.

Ammobium alatum (Winged Everlasting). A pretty border annual, flowers white with yellow centre, 5 cts. per pkt.

Antirrhinum majus (Snapdragon), 10 cts. per pkt.

Antirrhinum majus, *Var. grandiflorus flore pleno*, 10 cts. per pkt.

Antirrhinum majus, *Var. Tom Thumb*, 10 cts. per pkt.

Bartonia aurea (Golden Bartonia). Showy golden yellow flowers above a gray downy thistle-like foliage, 5 cts per pkt.

Clarkia Mixed, 5 cts. per pkt.

Coreopsis coronata (Callopsis of some lists).

Twelve to eighteen inches high and showy yellow flowers, 5 cts. per pkt.

Calendula officinalis, Var. *Prince of Orange*, 5 cts. per pkt.

Calendula officinalis, Var. *Grandiflorus flore pleno*, 5 cts. per pkt.

Campanula medium (Canterbury Bells). Biennial. See general catalogue.

Campanula medium, *Double Mixed*, 10 cts. per pkt.

Campanula medium, *Cup and Saucer form*, mixed colors, 10 cts. per pkt.

Campanula medium, *Cup and Saucer rose*, 10 cts. per pkt.

Campanula medium, *Single White*, 6 cts. per pkt.

Campanula medium, *Single Light Blue*, 6 cts. per pkt.

Celosia cristata (Cock's Comb), mixed colors, 10 cts. per pkt.

Celosia pyramidalis plumosa, 6 cts. per pkt.

Centaurea Cyanus (Bachelor's Button), 5 cts. per pkt.

Centaurea moschata, Var. *imperialis*, 5 cts. per pkt.

Cosmos bipinnatus, 5 cts. per pkt.

Dianthus barbatus (Sweet William). See regular catalogue.

Dianthus barbatus albus, 5 cts. per pkt.

- Dianthus barbatus atrosanguineus*, 5 cts. per pkt.
- Dianthus Marguerete Carnation*, 5 cts. per pkt.
- Dianthus imperialis*. Double improved, 5 cts. per pkt.
- Dianthus Heddewigi*, 5 cts. per pkt.
- Eschscholtzia aurantiaca* (California Poppy), 5 cts. per pkt.
- Euphorbia Heterophylla* (Mexican Fire Plant), 5 cts. per pkt.
- Gaillardia amblyodon*. A pretty border annual of easy culture, 5 cts. per pkt.
- Gaillardia picta*. Crimson and orange, 5 cts. per pkt.
- Gaillardia* perennial. See plant catalogue.
- Gilia achillaefolia*, 5 cts. per pkt.
- Gilia mixed*, 5 cts. per pkt.
- Helipterum roseum* (*Acroclium roseum*). Pretty Everlasting, 5 cts. per pkt.
- Heliotrope*, *Choice mixed*, 15 cts. per pkt.
- Heliotrope*, *Lemoine Giant*, Hybrids, 15 cts. per pkt.
- Iberis amara*, *Var. coronaris*, sub *Var. Empress* (Candytuft), 5 cts. per pkt.
- Iberis amara*, sub *Var. Tom Thumb*, 5 cts. per pkt.
- Larkspurs. Well known annuals noted for their richness of color and beauty.
- Double Dwarf Rocket*, mixed, 5 cts. per pkt.
- Tall Rocket*, mixed, 5 cts. per pkt.

Lavatera trimestris (Annual Mallow). Very showy annual with cup shaped flowers. Sow in May where they are to bloom and thin to about ten inches apart, 5 cts. per pkt.

Linum grandiflorum (Scarlet Flax), 5 cts. per pkt.

Lobelia Erinus, Var. *Emperor William*, 5 cts. per pkt.

Lobelia Erinus, Var. *speciosa*, sub Var. *Crystal Palace*, 5 cts. per pkt.

Lupinus affinis. Annual Lupine, 5 cts. per pkt.

Matricaria parthenioides alba plena. Hardy annual 18 inches high, 5 cts. per pkt.

MIGNONETTE.

The flower garden is not complete without this well known favorite. Sowings in April and again in July will keep a succession of this fragrant flowers until frost.

Giant Flowered Red, 5 cts per pkt.

Parsons White Tree, 5 cts. per pkt.

Marigold, Tagates erecta aurantiaca, 5 cts per pkt.

Marigold, Tagates erecta, Eldorada, 5 cts. per pkt.

Marigold, Tagates erecta, Prince of Orange, 5 cts. per pkt.

Nigelia Damascena (Love in a Mist). Compact, free flowering plant with finely cut foliage. Curious looking flowers and seed pod. Easy of culture in any garden soil. Blue and white mixed, 5 cts. per pkt.

Nemophila Menziesii (Love Grove). Neat, compact in habit, blooming all summer, 5 cts. per pkt.

Oenothera Whitneyi (Godetia gloriosa). Red, 5 cts. per pkt.

PAPAYER (POPPY).

- Papaver Caucasicum*. An interesting yellow flowered biennial, the flowers somewhat resembling *P. pilosum*, but this last is perennial, 8 cts. per pkt.
- P. giganteum*, 5 cts. per pkt.
- P. glaucium* (Tulip Poppy), 5 cts. per pkt.
- P. Miss Sherwood*, 5 cts. per pkt.
- P. Murselli Mikado*, 5 cts. per pkt.
- P. umbrosum*, 5 cts. per pkt.
- P. Rhoeas-Shirley Poppy*. This is one of the best, giving all imaginable colors that ever were in any poppy, 5 cts. per pkt.
- Petunia hybrida grandiflora*, 15 cts. per pkt.
- P. fimbriata*, 15 cts. per pkt.
- P. single mixed*, 15 cts. per pkt.
- Phlox Drummondii*, 5 cts. per pkt.
- Phlox Drummondii, Prince Bismark*, 5 cts. per pkt.
- Phlox Drummondii, compacta mixed*, 5 cts per pkt.
- Portulacca grandiflora mixed*, 5 cts. per pkt.
- Portulacca grandiflora plenissima*, 5 cts. per pkt.

SELECT LIST OF SWEET PEAS.

Too much can not be said in favor of this much prized flower. Its culture is very simple and if the white seeded sorts are not sown before the ground is comparatively dry there is little chance of failure. Sow in new ground as early as may be so that a fairly good start can be made before the hot weather begins.

America. Blood red striped on white ground.

Apple Blossom. Rosy pink with blush wings.

Aurora. Orange rose, flaked and striped on white ground.

Black Knight. Very dark maroon, almost black.

Blanche Ferry. Extra early form.

Capt. of the Blues. Bright purple blue.

Dorothy Tennant. Deep mauve, of large size.

Earliest of All. Color like *Blanche Ferry*, but a week earlier.

Emily Eckford. Bright shade of heliotrope of good size and form.

Hon. F. Bouverie. A handsome soft pink.

Her Majesty. A soft rose.

Lottie Eckford. White shaded and edged lavender.

Lovely. Soft shell pink.

Maid of Honor. White edged with lavender.

Mars. Brilliant deep scarlet.

Modesty. Blush or soft pink. The lightest pink of all.

Mrs. Wilmot. A rich deep orange pink, 5 cts. per pkt, 15 cts. per oz.

Mrs. Eckford. Pale primrose yellow.

Navy Blue. Deep indigo blue. The best blue introduced.

Prima Donna. Pure pink. A fine shade.

Sadie Burpee. One of Mr. Eckford's largest whites.

Salopian. Deep scarlet or cardinal, the best red.

Stella Morse. Primrose, tinged blush, effect a rich cream color.

Venus. Light salmon suffused with buff.

Prices for those of the above where prices have not been noted, 5 cts. per pkt., 10 cts. per oz., 40 cts. per half pound.

Mixed Sweet Peas, same rate as the others.

My mixture will be composed of all the above sorts.

CUPID OR DWARF BEDDING SWEET PEAS.

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- Alice Eckford.* Creamy white with pink, 5 cts. per pkt, 15 cts. per oz.
- Boreatton.* Rich chestnut maroon, 5 cts. per pkt., 15 cts. per oz.
- Beauty.* Rosy pink, 5 cts. per pkt., 15 cts. per oz.
- Firefly.* Bright dazzling scarlet, 5 cts. per pkt., 15 cts. per oz.
- Primrose.* Pale primrose, 5 cts. per pkt., 15 cts. per oz.
- Ricinus.* Castor Bean.
- R. Africanus*, 5 cts per pkt.
- R. Zanzibarenis mixed*, 5 cts. per pkt.
- Rudbeckia* (Coneflower).
- R. bicolor superba*, 8 cts per pkt.
- R. amplexicaulis*, 5 cts. per pkt.
- Salpiglossis sinuata* (*S. variabilis*), 5 cts. per pkt.
- White.* Pure white. 5 cts. per pkt., 15 cts. per oz.
- Sweet Vernal Grass* (*Anthroanthum odoratum*). This grass when cut and dried while in bloom, emits a delicious odor, and will scent a whole room. Its odor is not heavy or offensive, but delicate as the best perfumes. 10 cts. per pkt.
- Scabiosa atropurpurea* (Morning Bride), 5 cts. per pkt.

Verbena Erinoides (Moss Verbenas), 6 cts. per pkt.

Verbena venosa, 5 cts. per pkt.

Lemon verbena (*Lipia citriodora*), 8 cts. per pkt.

Viola tricolor (Pansy) mixed, 10 cts. per pkt.

Viola tricolor, *English Show Pansies*, 10 cts. per pkt.

Viola tricolor, *Snow Queen*, 10 cts. per pkt.

Viola tricolor, *Emperor William*, 10 cts. per pkt.

Viola tricolor, *King of the Blacks*, 10 cts. per pkt.

Viola tricolor, *Victoria*, 10 cts. per pkt.

Viola tricolor, *aurea*, 10 cts. per pkt.

Viola cornuta (Horned Violet or Horned Pansy), 8 cts. per pkt.

Viola cornuta, *Var. alba*, 10 cts. per pkt.

Viola cornuta, *Papilo*, 10 cts per pkt.

Viola cornuta, *Purple Queen*, 10 cts. per pkt.

Viola cornuta, *White Perfection*, 10 cts. per pkt.

Viola odorata, 15 cts. per pkt.

Wallflowers.

Double Mixed, 5 cts. per pkt.

Single Mixed, 5 cts. per pkt.

Zinnia elegans, *Single Mixed*, 5 cts. per pkt.

Zinnia elegans, *Double Mixed*, 5 cts. per pkt.

Zinnia elegans, *Haagenana*, 8 cts. per pkt.

LAWN GRASS.

Central Park Choice, 25 cts. per lb., 20 lbs. for \$4.00.

Lawn Grass, Finest French Mixture, 35 cts. per lb.

About 80 pounds of lawn grass is required for an acre.

SULPHO-TOBACCO SOAP.

Insecticide and Fertilizer.

On flowers and plants in windows, flower and vegetable gardens, shrubs, small fruits, trees, etc. It is used as a spray for all plant lice, and insects which injure plant life.

10 ct. cake, 3 ounces, makes one and a half gallons prepared solution. Mailed for 13 cts.

20 ct. cake, 8 ounces, makes 4 gallons solution. Mailed for 28 cents.

Easy to use. Dissolves in water and can be applied with atomizer.



HAZETINE'S HAND WEEDER.
(One-sixth full size.)

My men like this better than any other weeder we have tried here. It is useful, also, in thinning out.

Price 25 cts. each, by mail 30 cts.



GARDENERS' DUST SPRAYER.

This new sprayer is highly recommended for applying insect or fungus remedies in a dry or dust form. Each part is mixed in a pulverized form. A good mixture for both insect and fungoid pests, is 20 parts lime, 1 part paris green, 1 part dry bordeaux, 1 part concentrated lye, pulverized, 1 part sulphur. Either of these may be applied separately, or tobacco dust, when only one is required. Price of Gardener's Sprayer, \$5.00 each.

